

COMBINED DECLARATION FOR PATENT APPLICATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint
inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on
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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the
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